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August 8, 2001

Via Federal Express

Ms. Carol Ropski
USEPA Region 5
Emergency Enforcement & Support Section, SE-5J
77 West Jackson Boulevard
Chicago, IL 60604-3590



RE: Response to Request for Information – Western Mineral Products Industrial Property Site

Dear Ms. Ropski:

On behalf of W. R. Grace & Co. (Grace), attached please find documents responsive to questions posed by EPA in its 104(e) Request for Information dated July 24, 2001. Since the Request for Information was not correctly addressed, I did not receive it until Monday, August 6, 2001. I reported this to EPA that day, and left a message on your voice mail to that effect.

EPA's request allowed Grace only seven days to respond. In the interest of assisting EPA Region 5 in its investigation, and because of Grace's desire to cooperate and provide EPA Region 5 the requested information as quickly as possible, these answers have not undergone the ordinary review that responses to official EPA requests for information would typically receive.

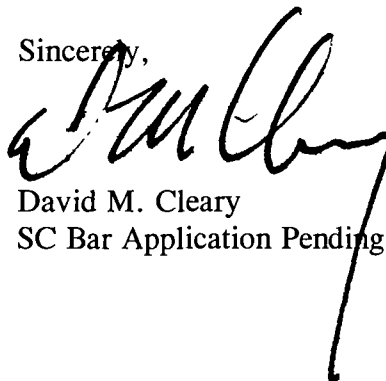
To the extent responses are made, they reflect a good faith effort to present information to EPA, however, Grace reserves the right to amend, retract, supplement, or substitute any response at any time. By accepting this information, EPA agrees that that the provided information may be unreliable or incomplete, and that Grace will not be responsible for any errors, omissions, duplications, or inconsistencies with any other response provided by Grace at any other time.

Grace has taken a reasonable interpretation of the terms and the scope of the Request for Information and shall not be responsible for differing interpretations made by EPA.

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Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David M. Cleary". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail that extends downwards and to the right.

David M. Cleary
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W. R. Grace & Co.
Western Mineral Products Industrial Property Site
Minneapolis, MN

Response to U. S. EPA Information Request
Dated July 24, 2001

1. *Provide copies of all data related to any sampling performed at the 1720 Madison Street NE and 1815 Jefferson Street NE properties in Minneapolis, Minnesota.*

In response to question number 1, we enclose the following documents:

- URS, Letter to Patrice Jensen, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding Transmission Electron Microscopy Analytical Results, Former Western Mineral Products Site, Minneapolis Minnesota, April 5, 2001.
- RJ Lee Group, Inc., Letter to Ms. Sabina Ylinen, URS Corporation, regarding Asbestos Results for Samples as Shown on Table I, Job No. LSH010510 7, dated February 15, 2001.
- URS Corporation, Phase II Investigation Report for Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Voluntary Investigation and Cleanup, Western Mineral Products Site, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Prepared for W. R. Grace & Co., January 31, 2001.
- URS, Letter to Mr. Jeff Connell, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding Air Monitoring Results, Former Western Mineral Products Site, Minneapolis Minnesota, October 23, 2000.
- RJ Lee Group, Inc., Letter to Ms. Sabina Ylinen, URS Corporation, regarding TEM Asbestos Results for Samples as Shown on Text Report Job No. LSH010510, dated October 20, 2000.
- RJ Lee Group, Inc., Letter to Ms. Sabina Ylinen, URS Corporation, regarding TEM Asbestos Results for Samples as Shown on Text Report Job No. LSH010510-1, dated October 20, 2000.
- URS Corporation, Phase I Environmental Site Assessment Report for Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Voluntary Investigation and Cleanup, Western Mineral Products Site, Minneapolis, MN, Prepared for W. R. Grace & Co., October 20, 2000
- Braun Intertec Corp., Letter to Ms. Katie Koeltgen, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding 837674-0000524 Bulk Analysis Report, dated June 20, 2000.
- Industrial Hygiene Services Corporation, Letter to Mr. Arnie Gilbertson, regarding Results of Soil Samples Submitted for Analysis, IHAC Project Number M00-319, dated June 15, 2000.
- Braun Intertec Corp., Letter to Ms. Jackie Deneen, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding 837674-0001003, Bulk Analysis Report, dated March 16, 2000.
- Braun Intertec Corp., Letter to Ms. Katie Koeltgen, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding 837674 Bulk Analysis Report, dated March 14, 2000.

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2. *Provide copies of all reports, summaries and analysis related to any sampling or investigation of the 1720 Madison Street NE and 1815 Jefferson Street NE properties in Minneapolis, Minnesota.*

In response to question number 2, we enclose the following documents in addition to the reports, summaries and analysis listed in response to question number 1:

- URS, Letter to Patrice Jensen, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding Revised Visual and Analytical Surficial Asbestos Evaluation, Former Western Mineral Products Site, Minneapolis Minnesota, May 15, 2001.
- URS, Letter to Patrice Jensen, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding Addendum to Supplemental Information Letter, Former Western Mineral Products Site, Minneapolis Minnesota, April 27, 2001.
- URS, Letter to Patrice Jensen, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding Visual and Analytical Surficial Asbestos Evaluation, Former Western Mineral Products Site, Minneapolis Minnesota, April 24, 2001.
- URS, Letter to Patrice Jensen, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding Supplemental Information, Former Western Mineral Products Site, Minneapolis Minnesota, April 13, 2001.
- Ecology and Environment, inc , Letter report for Western Mineral Processing, Minneapolis, Hennepin [sic] County, Minnesota, prepared for U. S. EPA, July 21, 2000.
- Holme Roberts & Owen LLP, Letter (and all attachments) to Jeff T. Connell, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, regarding July 5, 2000 Request for Information, dated July 14, 2000.

3. *Provide a copy of any audit or investigative reports prepared in connection with any transfer of property at 1720 Madison Street NE and 1815 Jefferson Street NE properties in Minneapolis, Minnesota.*

In response to question number 3, we enclose the following documents:

- American Engineering Testing, Inc., Transaction Screen Environmental Site Assessment, 1815 Jefferson Street NE, Minneapolis, Minnesota prepared for Electramatic, Inc. May 10, 1999.
- Maxim Technologies, Inc., Phase I Environmental Site Assessment, Madison Complex, 1720 Madison Street Northwest, Minneapolis, prepared for Madison Complex, Inc., December 24, 1998.